

Making the Grade

The Status of School Library Media Centers in the Sunshine State and How They Contribute to Student Achievement affirms that school library media programs positively impact student achievement when the following conditions exist:

- ✓More staffing
- ✓More resources
- Larger per pupil budget**
- High Circulation**
- ✓More student visits to the media center
- ✓More internet accessible computers
- ✓An electronic card catalog
- ✓An information literacy skills curriculum
- ✓The school and media center have a web page

Copies of the complete Making the Grade study are available from your school library media center or for checkout from the District Media Services Dept. Please call 819-3947.

Making the Grade was the largest school library study ever completed which focused on student achievement and school grades. There were 1715 schools studied.
Those items with a check mark indicate where your school makes the grade.
Areas in red are not intended to be punitive, but to assist you in planning for next year.

Scheduling of Media Center
The District Media Handbook (pages 5.4 & 5.5) states that the district procedure for elementary schools is to have a flexible access schedule. The Illinois Study indicates that reading scores were 10% higher in schools where the media center functions on a flexible access schedule and the media specialist actively collaborates with the classroom teacher. For more information about flexible access see the American Library Association weblink listed below.

www.ala.org/aasl/positions/ps_flexible.html

NetTrekker Meaningful Searches			
As of 5/22/07	Highest HS	District Average	Our School
	74,995	38,925	74,995



Can you find these in your library?

- University trained & certified media specialist
- Library Support Staff
- Students engaged in learning
- Welcoming atmosphere
- Current Book Collection
- Recreational reading opportunities
- Brochures, bookmarks, and style sheets displayed
- New materials displayed
- Locations of materials clearly displayed
- Alternative scheduling options
- Evidence of collaborative planning
- Student & teacher input in library program
- Sufficient technology tools

State of the School Library Media Center

St. Johns County Schools

Allen D. Nease High School



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Dr. Linda Thomson, Principal
Lori Gallaher, Media Specialist
Cynthia Messenger, Media Specialist

Dr. Joseph Joyner
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SJCSD

Lou Greco
Director for Media Services

Statistics based on data 8/1/06 to 5/09/07.

STAFFING (data from FL study)

Personnel	State Avg	District #	Our School
Professional		1	2
Clerical	0.99	1	1
NBCT	0.97	6	1
University Trained		22/30	1

Staffing meets SJCSD recommendations

Media PLC Hours Offered	District Avg	Hrs earned Gallaher	Hrs earned Messenger
39.5	28.7	31	27.25

Budget	District Avg HS	NHS
Total	\$22,839.50	\$31,545
Total Pupils	1338	2075
Per Pupil Allocation	\$17.00	\$15.20

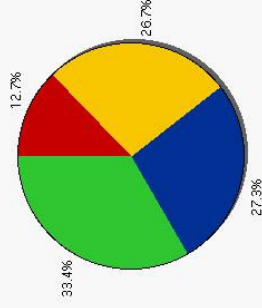
Note: Past district funding was \$19.00 per pupil. This figure was unfortunately reduced last year by the district to \$17.00. NHS funding is below the district average .

Computers in Media Center		
State Avg	District HS Avg	NHS
20.79	46	60

Note: Computer statistics found on pg.45 of

FCAT Level Circulations					
Levels	1	2	3	4	5
NHS Total	288	343	118	45	73
Ave. circulation	3	1.64	.49	.25	.45
HS Avg.	2.81	1.81	1.4	.95	1.36

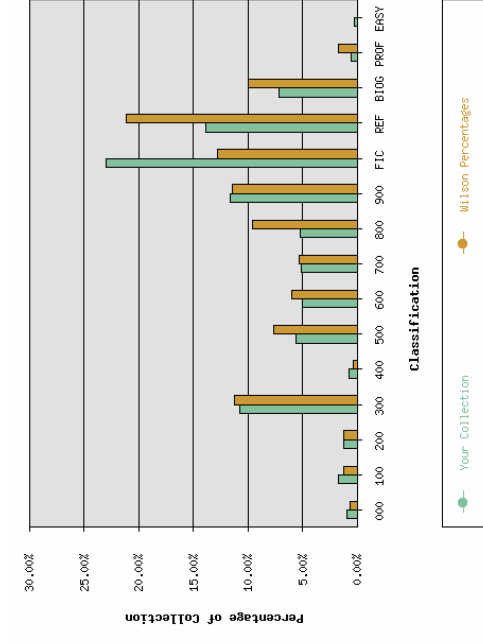
Age of Collection



Note: Your collection needs to be weeded. Almost half of your materials have copyright dates from before 1990. Continue to replace aged materials with titles having copyright dates from 2000 or later.

Total Collection Information Registered with Sunlink

	State	State%	SJCSD	SJCSD%	NHS	NHS%
30 years or older	2,585,963	9.9%	16,823	7.98%	1236	12.07%
20 to 30 years	3,297,181	12.6%	26,447	12.54%	2,609	26.7%
10 to 20 years	9,205,927	35.2%	74,011	35.11%	2,663	27.3%
10 years or newer	11,079,969	42.3%	93,462	44.34%	3,260	33.4%



Your collection appears to be balanced. You may wish to consider additional purchases in the 500's, 600's, 800's, Reference and Biography.

Average Total Book Count (pgs. 55-56 FL Study)			
	National	State	District HS Ave
Bks per facility	10,992	11,278	12,939
Bks per student	13.1	9	8.02

NHS meets the minimum SACS standards for HS libraries with holdings over 15,000. However, it is recommended that each facility have at least 10 books per student. Please note E books are not reflected in the above statistics.

Magazines ~ Periodicals (pg. 55 FL Study)			
Average	State	District	NHS
Per pupil	20.53	21	45

Reading Incentive Programs (pg. 39 FL Study)	
	Our School
AR/RC	✓
FTR	✓

Average Checkout Per Student (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
Average	State	District	NHS Main
Per pupil		3.24	2.46

Weekly Circulation (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
	State Avg.	District Avg.	NHS Main
All Materials		248	150

Interlibrary Loan			
	Within District	Outside District	Our School
School			
HS School			

Hours Per Week Media Center is Open (pg.21 FL Study)			
	State	Dis-trict	Our School
Before School	2.22		2.5
During School	29.72		29.5
After School	2.76		2.5